GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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REGIONAL BRANCH SECRETARIAT OFFICES OF MEA
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Regional Branch Secretariat Offices of his Ministry are functioning in various cities in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any demands for setting up of such an office in Chennai and other parts of the country;

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon; and

(e) the time by which such offices are likely to be set up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI ANAND SHARMA)

(a)-(e) Branch Secretariats of the Ministry are functioning in Kolkata, Hyderabad and Chennai. There is a proposal to open an office in Guwahati. There is no proposal to open such offices in other parts of the country, at present.